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About this Report

DNR's annual report provides information required by the following statutes:

RCW 79.10.010

- Description of agency activity, fiscal and other.
- Timber harvest and forest management data.

RCW 79.64.100 and 79.64.030

Accounting of land management payments made by one fund on behalf of the other.

This report combines the 2003 and 2004 annual reports. The 2003 fiscal and timber management data were previously published on DNR's website.

Accounting is for fiscal years.
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DNR Has Varied Responsibilities

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) manages more than 5 million acres of forest, range, commercial, agricultural and aquatic lands. Most of these lands produce income to support state services and provide many other public benefits as well: outdoor recreation, fish and wildlife habitat, and clean air and water.

DNR also regulates surface mining reclamation and forest debris burning, and administers Forest Practices rules on private and state-owned forests.

DNR provides technical assistance and education on forest stewardship, mining, geologic hazards, and rare plant species and ecosystems, and provides wildfire protection for 12 million acres of private and state-owned unimproved forests.

Cover Photo

At Castle Rock Natural Area Preserve near the Grand Coulee, Washington's past, present and future come together. In a region shaped by ice-age floods, the preserve protects shrub-steppe habitat that was once common to eastern Washington but is now rare.

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